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TITLE: BOYANCY RESISTANCE EXERCISE SYSTEM

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**(ORIGINAL, DESIGN, NATIONAL STAGE OF PCT, SUPPLEMENTAL, DIVISIONAL,**  
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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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- ☒ original  
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**INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION**

WARNING: If the inventors are each not the inventors of all the claims an explanation of the facts, including the ownership of all the claims at the time the last claimed invention was made, should be submitted.

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (*if only one name is listed below*) or an original, first and joint inventor (*if plural names are listed below*) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

TITLE OF INVENTION:  
**BOYANCY RESISTANCE EXERCISE SYSTEM**

**SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION**

the specification of which: *(complete (a), (b) or (c))*

- (a) ☒ is attached hereto  
(b) ☐ was filed on \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ as Serial No. \_\_\_/\_\_\_,\_\_\_ or  
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(if applicable).

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- (c) ☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/US9 / /  
filed on \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ and as amended under PCT Article 19 on \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ *(if any)*.

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information:

- ☒ which is material to the patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

(also check the following, if desired)

- ☐ and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, and

- ☐ In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98.

#### PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. § 119)

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

*(complete (d) or (e))*

- (d) ☒ no such applications have been filed.  
(e) ☐ such applications have been filed as follows:

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#### PRIOR FOREIGN/PCT APPLICATION(S) FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS

**(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS APPLICATION  
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COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (Day, Month, Year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 37 USC 119
			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

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**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. *(List name and registration number.)*

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☐ Attached as part of this declaration and power of attorney is the authorization of the above-named attorney(s) to accept and follow instructions from my representative(s).

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

**SIGNATURES**

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